

REMARKS AND ARGUMENTS

At the Examiner's request claims 1 to 9 have been renamed in accordance with rule 37 CFR 1.121.

The status identifier of claims 10 to 18 has not been amendment as it complies with rule 37 CFR 1.121.

If any extension of time is necessary, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is hereby petitioned for such an extension and may charge any necessary fees to our **Deposit Account no. 50-4067.**

If any further fee, **whatsoever**, with respect to the present application is due, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is in any event hereby authorized to charge such further amount to our **Deposit Account no. 50-4067.**

Respectfully submitted,



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